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RE: ASARCO Addendum to Interim Measures Work, East Helena
Facility, Former Acid Plant Sediment Drying Area Slurry Wall
Monitoring, Operation, and Maintenance Work Plan, October 18, 2006

Dear Mr. Nickel:

EPA has reviewed the Slurry Wall Monitoring, Operation, and Maintenance Work Plan, dated October 18, 2006. We commend ASARCO on the high quality of this document. We have no comments and are approving this work plan as submitted. If you have questions on this letter or any related matter, please contact me directly at (303) 312-6503.

Sincerely,

Linda Jacobson
EPA Project Manager

cc: Denise Kirkpatrick, MDEQ